GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

A B S T R A C T

Public Services – Agriculture & Cooperation Department – V & E Cases - Vigilance report No.101 - Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture (R), Penukonda, Ananthapuram District and (6) others - Mis–utilization of funds allocated to Farm Mechanization Scheme in Ananthapuramu District – Disciplinary proceedings issued under A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Dropping of further action – Orders- Issued

AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.702 **Dated: 10/10/2023**

Read the following:

1. From the Director General (Vig. & Enft.) & E.O. Prl. Secy. To Govt., Vigilance Report.No.101, (C.No.116/V&E/D1/2016), dt.12.10.2017.
2. Govt. Memo No.AGST-30021/37/2017, A & C (Vig.I) Dept., dt.02.01.2018 & 26.10.2018.
3. From the Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, Letter No.Vig.I (2) 10/2018, dt.23.12.2020 & 08.11.2022.
4. Govt. Memo No.AGST-30021/37/2017, A & C (Vig.I) Dept., dt. 23.11.2022.
5. From the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, Letter No.Vig.I (2) 10/2018, dt.17.02.2023.

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O R D E R:

In the reference 1st read above, the Director General (V&E) & E.O. Prl. Secy. to Government has submitted a report on mis-utilisation of Government funds allocated to Farm Mechanisation Scheme in Ananthapuramu District and submitted his recommendations to initiate deemed fit action against the following Officials, among other actions, for slack supervision which caused the said irregularity:

1. Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture®, Penukonda, Anathapuramu District.
2. Sri M. Anjaneyulu, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Yellanur, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture (R), Tadipatri Ananthapuramu District.
3. Sri M. Nirmal Kumar, Mandal Agriculture Officer, D.Hirehal, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Rayadurg, Ananthapuramu District.
4. Smt. S. Ramadevi, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Talupula, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Kadiri, Ananthapuramu District.
5. Sri B. Krishna Menon, the then Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Penukonda, Ananthapuramu District.
6. Sri M.C. Madduleti, the then Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Rayadurg, Anathapuramu District.
7. Sri M. Visawanatham, the then Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Tadipatri, Ananthapuramu District.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Government have issued instructions to the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, among others, to initiate Common Disciplinary Proceedings, under rule 24 of A.P.Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991, against the above said Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture®, Penukonda, Anathapuramu District & (6) others, for the irregularities committed by them, as indicated in the V & E Report and to submit Inquiry Report to Government.

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3. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur has issued disciplinary proceedings against the said Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Penukonda, Anathapuramu District & (6) others, as per the procedure laid down in A.P.Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 and submitted the revised Inquiry Officer's report to Government, in the reference 3rd read above, as asked for, along with relevant documents, as per which the Charges framed against all the Charged Officers are not proved. The Commissioner of Agriculture has also agreed with these findings of the Inquiry Officer.

4. In the reference 4th read above, the Government have requested the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, to communicate a copy of the revised Inquiry Report dt.24.09.2022 to the Charged Officers Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Penukonda, Anathapuramu District & (6) others, under rule 21 of A.P.Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991, with a direction to submit their representations, if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer and forward the same to Government.

5. In the reference 5th read above, the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur has submitted the representations of the Charged Officers Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Penukonda, Anathapuramu District & (6) others to Government, in which the Charged Officers have accepted the findings of the Inquiry Officer and requested to drop further action in the matter.

6. The Government, after careful examination of the material papers available in the file, have decided to drop further action on the disciplinary proceedings issued, under A.P. Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991, against the following Officers, duly exonerating them from the Articles of Charge issued against them and order accordingly:

1. Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture®, Penukonda, Anathapuramu District and presently working as Mandal Agriculture Officer, Puttaparthy, O/o District Agriculture Officer, Sri Satyasai District.

2. Sri M. Anjaneyulu, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Yellanur, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture (R), Tadipatri Ananthapuramu District and presently working as Mandal Agriculture Officer, Peddaparru, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture (R), Tadipatri, Ananthapuramu District.

3. Sri M. Nirmal Kumar, Mandal Agriculture Officer, D. Hirehal, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Rayadurg, Ananthapuramu District and presently working as Mandal Agriculture Officer, Gummagutta, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Rayadurg, Ananthapuramu District.

4. Smt. S. Ramadevi, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Talupula, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Kadiri, Ananthapuramu District and presently working as Asst. Professor, Agril.College, Mahanandi, Kurnool District.

5. Sri B. Krishna Menon, the then Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Penukonda and presently working as Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Madakasira, Sri Satyasai District.

6. Sri M.C. Madduleti, the then Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Rayadurg and presently working as Dy. Project Director, O/o Project Director, ATMA, Anathapuramu District.

7. Sri M. Visawanatham, the then Assistant Director of Agriculture ®, Tadipatri, Ananthapuramu district and subsequently retired as Assistant Director of Agriculture (SS), Kadapa, YSR District.

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11. The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur, shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
CHIEF COMMISSIONER, RBKs &
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:

Sri M. Nataraju, the then Mandal Agriculture Officer, Bukkapatnam, O/o Assistant Director of Agriculture®, Penukonda, Anathapuramu District and presently working as Mandal Agriculture Officer, Puttaparthy, O/o District Agriculture Officer, Sri Satyasai District & (6) Others.
(through the Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur)
The Special Commissioner of Agriculture, A.P., Guntur.

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The OSD to A.P. Vigilance Commissioner, A.P.V.C., 5th Block, 1st Floor, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The P.S. to Minister for Agriculture, A.P., Velagapudi.
Sf/Sc.

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SECTION OFFICER